

REMARKS

In the office action dated July 19, 2004, claims 1-2, 5-9, 14-15, 18-33 and 49-51 are rejected. Claims 3-4, 10-13, 16 and 17 are objected to as being dependent upon rejected base claims. Applicants thankfully acknowledge the allowance of claims 34-48.

Applicants cancel claims 5-9, 18-34, and 49-51 without prejudice. Applicants amend claims 3, 10, 15, and 45 to incorporate the limitations of their base claims and all intervening claims thereby obviating the Examiner's objection.

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance. Applicants therefore request reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections and §112 rejection.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response other than as reflected on the enclosed Fee Transmittal. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 18-1945, under Order No. BBNT-P01-116 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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Respectfully submitted,

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